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MINUTES – ANNAPOLIS HUMAN RELATIONS COMMISSION (HRC) NOVEMBER 4, 2013 ROGER MOYER RECREATION CENTER

COMMISSIONERS PRESENT: M. Keller, Chair P. Schenck

I. M. Sims D. Graham M. Doskow

R. Katchmar H. Leitch D. Williams S. Kaisler

ALSO PRESENT: M. Heiss, County HRC liaison, and three members of the public

COMMISSIONERS EXCUSED: J. Smith, M. Scott

CALL TO ORDER - 6:30 p.m.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES - The Minutes are approved by common consent as distributed.

WELCOME TO GUESTS - Chair Keller briefed the members of the public who were present about the work of the Commission.

CHAIR'S REPORT – Chair Keller took a headcount of Commissioners who wanted to attend the Dr. Martin Luther King Jr. Breakfast in January.

PRESENTATION: Annapolis Police Chief Michael Pristoop answered at length questionsthat Commissioners had developed regarding the drug enforcement policies of the Annapolis Police Department, the impact of these policies on minority communities in Annapolis, and diversity training in the Department.

UPDATE ON BNI TENANT/LANDLORD SERVICES TO ANNAPOLIS RESIDENTS

Chair Keller reported that the tenant/landlord hotline of Baltimore Neighborhoods Inc. will continue to be offered to City residents. Part of a federal housing grant received by the City will be used to cover the \$5,000 expense. All that is needed is for BNI to provide the City with the requisite paperwork.

REPORT ON PATHWAYS TO OPPORTUNITIES CONFERENCE – Commissioners Sims, Williams and Keller staffed an HRC table at this conference which was designed to provide residents of Annapolis' public housing communities with information about resources in the City. It was noted that other tables had something tangible to give away. In the future, HRC will provide a "draw" of some kind. The idea of offering buttons with a Celebrate Diversity theme won support from Commissioners.

REPORT OF HRC OF ANNE ARUNDEL COUNTY – Commissioner Schenck announced that M. Heiss, the Liaison to Annapolis HRC, was elected as Chair of Anne Arundel County HRC.

ADJOURNMENT: This took place at approximately 7:56: p.m.

Respectfully submitted/recording secretary Jane F. Carr to Chair Michael Keller



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